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2006/201 D
Elections, nominations, confirmations and appointments to subsidiary and related bodies of the Economic and Social Council

At its 45th meeting, on 30 November 2006, the Economic and Social Council took the following action with regard to vacancies in its subsidiary and related bodies:

Committee on Economic, Social and Cultural Rights

The Council elected Zhan Daode (China) for a term beginning on the date of election and expiring on 31 December 2008, to fill a vacancy arising from the resignation of Yongxiang Shen.

Committee for Programme and Coordination

The Council nominated **France** for election by the General Assembly for a three-year term beginning on 1 January 2007.

The Council further postponed the nomination of one member from the Group of Western European and Other States for election by the General Assembly for a three-year term beginning on 1 January 2007.

Committee for Development Policy

The Council appointed the following 24 experts for a three-year term beginning on 1 January 2007: Bina Agarwal (India), José Antonio Alonso (Spain), Lourdes Arizpe (Mexico), Tariq Banuri (Pakistan), Albert Binger (Jamaica), Olav Bjerkholt (Norway), Kwesi Botchwey (Ghana), Gui Ying Cao (China), Ricardo Ffrench-Davis (Chile), Stanisława Golinowska (Poland), Patrick Guillaumont (France), Philippe Hein (Mauritius), Hiroya Ichikawa (Japan), Willene Johnson (United States of America), Martin Khor (Malaysia), Amina Mama (South Africa), Hans Opschoor (Netherlands), Suchitra Punyaratabandhu (Thailand), Fatima Sadiqi (Morocco), Frances Stewart (United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland), Diana Tussie (Argentina), Milica Uvalic (Serbia), Anatoly Vishnevsky (Russian Federation), Samuel Wangwe (United Republic of Tanzania).

2006/201 E
Elections, nominations, confirmations and appointments to subsidiary and related bodies of the Economic and Social Council

At its 48th meeting, on 15 December 2006, the Economic and Social Council took the following action with regard to vacancies in its subsidiary and related bodies:

Elections

Commission on Population and Development

The Council elected **Grenada** and **Honduras** by acclamation for a four-year term beginning at the first meeting of the Commission's forty-first session, in 2007, and expiring at the close of the Commission's forty-fourth session, in 2011.

The Council further postponed the election of one member from the Group of Asian States and one member from the Group of Western European and Other States for a term beginning at the first meeting of the Commission's forty-first session, in 2007, and expiring at the close of its forty-fourth session, in 2011.

Commission on Science and Technology for Development

The Council elected **Belgium** and **Turkey** by acclamation for a four-year term beginning on 1 January 2007.

Executive Board of the International Research and Training Institute for the Advancement of Women

The Council elected **Israel**, the **Philippines** and the **Syrian Arab Republic** by acclamation for a three-year term beginning on 1 January 2007.

The Council further postponed the election of two members from the Group of African States and two members from the Group of Eastern European States for a three-year term beginning on 1 January 2007.

Committee for the United Nations Population Award

The Council elected the **Czech Republic**, **Lesotho** and **Malaysia** by acclamation for a three-year term beginning on 1 January 2007.

The Council further postponed the election of two members from the Group of African States for a three-year term beginning on 1 January 2007.

Governing Council of the United Nations Human Settlements Programme

The Council elected **Italy** by acclamation for a four-year term beginning on 1 January 2007.

The Council further postponed the election of three members from the Group of Latin American and Caribbean States for a four-year term beginning on 1 January 2007.

Committee on Economic, Social and Cultural Rights

The Council elected Barbara Wilson (Switzerland) by acclamation for a term beginning 1 January 2007 and expiring on 31 December 2008, to fill a vacancy arising from the resignation of Giorgio Malinverni (Switzerland).

Executive Board of the United Nations Development Programme/United Nations Population Fund

The Council elected **Denmark** for a term beginning on 1 January 2007 and expiring on 31 December 2009, to fill a vacancy arising from the resignation of Sweden.

Organizational Committee of the Peacebuilding Commission

The Council elected the **Czech Republic** and re-elected **Indonesia** for a term beginning on 1 January 2007 and expiring on 22 June 2008, to fill vacancies arising from the expiration of the terms of two members of the Economic and Social Council (Poland and Indonesia) that were elected to the Organizational Committee.

The Council postponed the election of one member from the Group of Western European and Other States for a term beginning on 1 January 2007 and expiring on 22 June 2008 to replace Belgium, whose term as a member of the Economic and Social Council expired on 31 December 2006.

Appointments

Committee of Experts on International Cooperation in Tax Matters

The Council took note of the appointment by the Secretary-General of Nobuyuki Nakamura (Japan) and Eduardo Zaidensztat Capnikcas (Uruguay) to the Committee for a term beginning on the date of appointment and expiring on 30 June 2009, to fill two vacancies arising from the resignation of Yoshiki Takeuchi (Japan) and Talmon de Paula Freitas (Brazil), respectively.

2006/257
Report of the Committee for Programme and Coordination on its forty-sixth session

At its 44th meeting, on 11 October 2006, the Economic and Social Council took note of the report of the Committee for Programme and Coordination on its forty-sixth session.[1]

2006/258
Report of the Committee on the Rights of the Child

At its 46th meeting, on 11 December 2006, the Economic and Social Council took note of the report of the Committee on the Rights of the Child.[2]

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[1] *Official Records of the General Assembly, Sixty-first Session, Supplement No. 16* (A/61/16).

[2] *Official Records of the General Assembly, Sixty-first Session, Supplement No. 41* and corrigendum (A/61/41 and Corr.1).

2006/259
Application of the non-governmental organization Danish National Association for Gays and Lesbians

At its 47th meeting, on 11 December 2006, the Economic and Social Council decided to grant special consultative status to the Danish National Association for Gays and Lesbians.

2006/260
Application of the non-governmental organization International Lesbian and Gay Association — Europe

At its 47th meeting, on 11 December 2006, the Economic and Social Council decided to grant special consultative status to the International Lesbian and Gay Association — Europe.

2006/261
Application of the non-governmental organization Lesbian and Gay Federation in Germany

At its 47th meeting, on 11 December 2006, the Economic and Social Council decided to grant special consultative status to the Lesbian and Gay Federation in Germany.

2006/262
Reports of the Committee on Non-Governmental Organizations

At its 47th meeting, on 11 December 2006, the Economic and Social Council took note of the report of the Committee on Non-Governmental Organizations on its 2006 regular session[3] and of the report of the Committee on its resumed 2006 session.[4]

2006/263
Convention on the Privileges and Immunities of the Specialized Agencies: draft annex relating to the World Tourism Organization

At its 48th meeting, on 15 December 2006, the Economic and Social Council decided to defer to its organizational session for 2007 consideration of the Convention on the Privileges and Immunities of the Specialized Agencies: draft annex relating to the World Tourism Organization.[5]

[3] E/2006/32 (Part I).
[4] E/2006/32 (Part II).
[5] E/2006/70.

2006/264
Application of the intergovernmental organization International Emergency Management Organization, for observer status with the Economic and Social Council

At its 48th meeting, on 15 December 2006, the Economic and Social Council decided to defer to its organizational session for 2007 consideration of the application for observer status of the intergovernmental organization International Emergency Management Organization.

2006/265
Inclusion of Papua New Guinea in the list of least developed countries

At its 48th meeting, on 15 December 2006, the Economic and Social Council, taking note of recommendation 1 contained in the report of the Committee for Development Policy on its eighth session[6] that Papua New Guinea be included in the list of least developed countries (subject to acceptance by the Government), and also taking note of the letter dated 21 July 2006[7] from the Permanent Representative of Papua New Guinea to the United Nations addressed to the Secretariat, decided to defer consideration of the Committee's recommendation to the Council's substantive session of 2007.

2006/266
Recommendation contained in the report of the Committee for Development Policy on its eighth session concerning Samoa

At its 48th meeting, on 15 December 2006, on the proposal of the President, the Council decided to defer to its substantive session of 2007 consideration of recommendation 2, contained in the report of the Committee for Development Policy,[6] that Samoa be graduated from the list of least developed countries.

2006/267
Enlargement of the Commission on Science and Technology for Development

At its 48th meeting, on 15 December 2006, the Economic and Social Council, recalling its resolution 2006/46 of 28 July 2006, in which it decided, inter alia, that the Commission on Science and Technology for Development should be enlarged by the inclusion of ten new members:

(a) Decided that the distribution of the ten new seats on the Commission will be as follows:

(i) Three seats for the Group of African States;

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[6] See *Official Records of the Economic and Social Council, 2006, Supplement No. 13* (E/2006/33).
[7] E/2006/91.

(ii) Two seats for the Group of Asian States;

(iii) One seat for the Group of Eastern European States;

(iv) Two seats for the Group of Latin American and Caribbean States;

(v) Two seats for the Group of Western European and Other States;

(b) Also decided that, initially, the terms of office of the new members should coincide with the existing terms of membership, the dates to be determined by lot for each region;

(c) Further decided that the elections of the ten new members of the Commission would be held at the organizational session of the Council in February 2007.

2006/268
Report of the Commission on Science and Technology for Development on its ninth session

At its 48th meeting, on 15 December 2006, the Economic and Social Council decided to defer further consideration of the report of the Commission on Science and Technology for Development on its ninth session[8] to the Council's organizational session for 2007.

2006/269
International expert group meeting on the Convention on Biological Diversity international regime on access and benefit-sharing and indigenous people's human rights

At its 48th meeting, on 15 December 2006, the Economic and Social Council decided to authorize a three-day international expert group meeting on the Convention on Biological Diversity international regime on access and benefit-sharing and indigenous people's human rights with the participation of representatives from the United Nations system, and five members of the Permanent Forum on Indigenous Issues, and invited other interested intergovernmental organizations, experts from indigenous organizations, and interested Member States to participate as well, and requested that the results of the meeting be reported to the Permanent Forum at its sixth session in May 2007.

2006/270
Subject of the coordination segment of the substantive session of 2007 of the Economic and Social Council

At its 48th meeting, on 15 December 2006, the Economic and Social Council, in the light of the adoption of a theme for the coordination segment of its substantive session of 2007, decided not to take action on draft decision II, entitled "Subject of the coordination segment of the substantive session of 2007 of the

[8] *Official Records of the Economic and Social Council, 2006, Supplement No. 11* (E/2006/31).

Economic and Social Council", as contained in the report of the Permanent Forum on Indigenous Issues on its fifth session.[9]

2006/271
Venue and dates for the sixth session of the Permanent Forum on Indigenous Issues

At its 48th meeting, on 15 December 2006, the Economic and Social Council decided that the sixth session of the Permanent Forum on Indigenous Issues would be held at United Nations Headquarters in New York from 14 to 25 May 2007.

2006/272
Provisional agenda and documentation for the sixth session of the Permanent Forum on Indigenous Issues

At its 48th meeting, on 15 December 2006, the Economic and Social Council:

(a) Took note of the report of the Permanent Forum on Indigenous Issues on its fifth session;[9]

(b) Approved the provisional agenda and documentation for its sixth session, as set out below:

1. Election of officers.
2. Adoption of the agenda and organization of work.
3. Special theme: territories, lands and natural resources.
4. Implementation of recommendations on the six mandated areas of the Permanent Forum and on the Millennium Development Goals:

(a) Economic and social development;

(b) Environment;

(c) Health;

(d) Education;

(e) Culture;

(f) Human rights;

(g) Second International Decade of the World's Indigenous People.

Documentation

Note by the Secretariat and other documents to be submitted by the United Nations system, Governments and indigenous peoples organizations

5. Human rights: dialogue with the Special Rapporteur on the situation of human rights and fundamental freedoms of indigenous people.
6. Half-day discussion on Asia.

[9] *Official Records of the Economic and Social Council, 2006, Supplement No. 23* (E/2006/43).

7. Half-day discussion on urban indigenous peoples and migration.

8. Ongoing priorities and themes, and follow-up:

Data collection and disaggregation (2004).

Documentation

Note by the Secretariat and other documents to be submitted by the United Nations system, Governments and indigenous peoples organizations

9. Future work of the Permanent Forum including emerging issues.

Documentation

Note by the Secretariat and other documents to be submitted by the United Nations system, Governments and indigenous peoples organizations

10. Draft agenda for the seventh session of the Permanent Forum.

11. Adoption of the report of the Permanent Forum on its sixth session.

2006/273
Report of the Permanent Forum on Indigenous Issues on its fifth session

At its 48th meeting, on 15 December 2006, the Council decided to take note of the report of the Permanent Forum on Indigenous Issues on its fifth session.[9]

2006/274
Follow-up to the implementation of General Assembly resolution 61/16 on the strengthening of the Economic and Social Council

At its 48th meeting, on 15 December 2006, the Economic and Social Council decided:

(a) To defer consideration of the focus of its 2007 thematic discussion and the theme for its 2007 annual ministerial review to the first meeting of its organizational session for 2007;

(b) To devote consideration of the theme "The role of the United Nations system in promoting full and productive employment and decent work for all" at the coordination segment of its substantive session of 2007;

(c) To approve the contributions of relevant subsidiary bodies of the Economic and Social Council, including functional and regional commissions, and the organizations of the United Nations system to the annual ministerial-level substantive review and the Development Cooperation Forum as follows:

(i) Decides, in accordance with paragraph 8, on annual ministerial-level substantive reviews, of General Assembly resolution 61/16 of 20 November 2006:

a. To urge its functional commissions and other relevant subsidiary bodies and follow-up mechanisms, as appropriate, to contribute, in accordance with their mandates and taking into account their specificity, to the assessment;

b. To invite the organizations of the United Nations system, including the Bretton Woods institutions and the World Trade Organization, to contribute within their respective mandates to the consideration by the Council;

(ii) Also decides, in accordance with paragraph 9 of General Assembly resolution 61/16, to urge the regional commissions, in collaboration with other regional and subregional organizations and processes, as appropriate, to contribute, within their mandates, to the review of progress made in the implementation of and follow-up to the outcomes of the major United Nations conferences and summits in the economic, social and related fields and to provide input to the discussions of the Economic and Social Council in accordance with its rules of procedure;

(iii) Further decides that this decision should apply to the first annual ministerial-level substantive review and the Development Cooperation Forum to be held in 2007, without prejudice to the future modalities of interaction between the Economic and Social Council and its subsidiary bodies beyond the substantive session of 2007 of the Council.